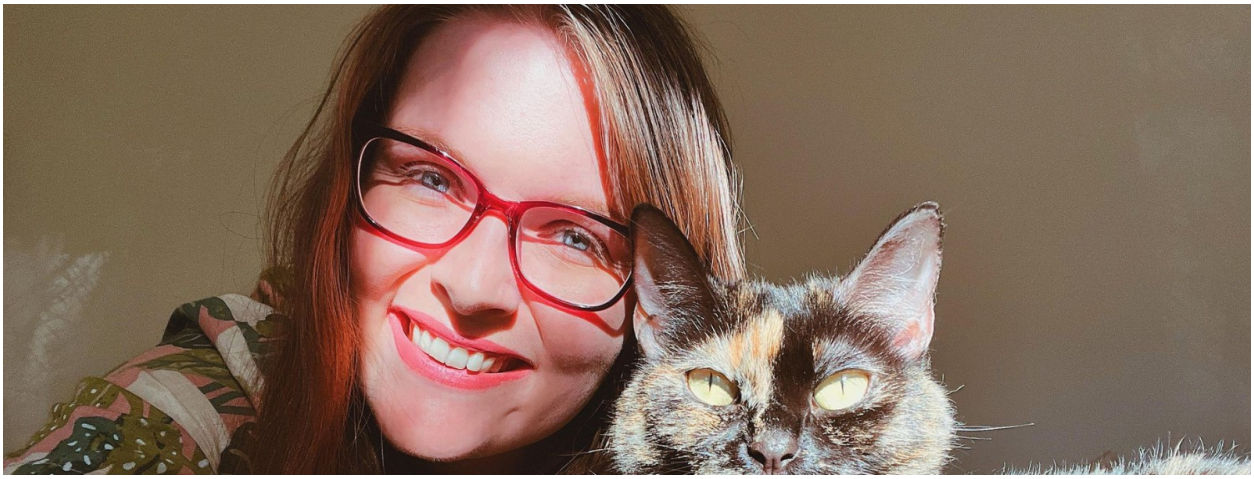

CtrlAltCraft is December’s Xbox Ambassador of the Month!

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Hey Xbox Ambassadors! It’s December and that means we have a new Ambassador of the Month and Community Champion to spotlight – CtrlAltCraft! You might recognize her from seeing her around on Xbox, her own content, or from her spotlights for Disability Awareness Month and in the Xbox Accessibility Showcase. Learn more about her by reading the Q&A below, and be sure to say congratulations when you see her around.

How did gaming become one of your passions?

From a kid I was fascinated by video games. My earliest memory is one of my Father and I playing video games in the study, sitting on beanbags, looking up at an old CRT television. As I grew into a teenager I realised that gaming wasn’t considered “cool”, and went through the typical teenage phase of denying myself of who I was for the sake of fitting in. Well, turns out those friendships didn’t last, but my love for gaming has. There’s probably a lesson in that for a lot of young Xbox fans. Stay true to yourself.

Now, I’m a giant nerd. I’m loving every second of being one too!

What’s your favorite video game or franchise, and why?

My favourite game changes almost every day! Currently, it is Turnip Boy Commits Tax Evasion. It’s absolutely hilarious. A short little romp with a couple twists at the end, that overall has me laughing and enjoying every second of it. (As of writing it is currently available on Xbox Game Pass too!)

If we want to specify Xbox titles, then the Forza Horizon series is by far my favourite. I love being able to travel around the world, explore incredible vistas, and run down shrubs and fences, all from the comfort of my couch. Such a fun time.

How long have you been an Xbox Ambassador for, and how did you first hear about the program?

I have been an Xbox Ambassador for nearly a year. I first heard about the program from friends in the gaming community who would regularly talk about or post about their love for Xbox. I decided to look into it, and sure enough the Xbox Ambassador program encapsulates everything I am passionate about with gaming – the community, the inclusive culture, and of course, games!

Do you have a favorite Xbox Ambassadors memory that you'd like to share?

By far the coolest part of being an Xbox Ambassador was the moment I was asked to share my story of gaming with disabilities. It was a whirlwind few months that started with writing a short paragraph about how gaming has allowed me to live a life I otherwise could not with my arthritis, and ended up with me being asked to represent gamers with disabilities in the Xbox Accessibility Showcase 2022. That was such an honour, and by far not just the highlight of my journey as an Xbox Ambassador, but the highlight of my LIFE!

Working with the Xbox and Microsoft teams through every step was really uplifting. It was clear to me that every single person involved in this project genuinely cared about gaming and accessibility. Xbox as both a brand and a community is not 'putting on' inclusivity as a show – they genuinely care and are passionate about this space.

For you, what's the most important line of the Xbox Ambassador Pledge and why?

Since I've got accessibility on my mind for this interview, I pick "Advocate for responsible and accessible gaming." I love the phrase Xbox use, "when everyone plays, we all win." When we open up gaming to those who couldn't previously access it, it means we make more friends, it means we share our passions with new people, and who knows? Maybe those new people grow to revolutionize the gaming industry for the rest of us.

What does a healthy community mean to you?

A healthy community is one that is active, regular, happy, having fun, and getting along. If it ticks all those boxes, it’s a healthy community.

How do you think online communities positively impact the lives of gamers?

Gamer or not, you don’t have to look far to see how online communities positively impact the lives of everyone the world over. The Pandemic showed us that. Online communities help us to connect with other people, which is a vital part of human development. Building relationships, having friendships, talking to other people about the things we are passionate about, and exploring new things that other people bring to the group – online communities for everyone, and also for gamers especially, can be such a positive force in our lives.

What do you like to do outside of gaming?

Craft! Hence my gamer tag. I love to crochet, paint, draw, build, sew – I just love making things with my hands. I especially love merging my craft with my passions and making nerdy creations.

When I’m not crafting or playing games, I’m usually cuddling my cat Paisley. She’s my precious little bean.

As Ambassador of the Month, what message do you have for other members of the Xbox Ambassadors community?

This community is doing AMAZING things, so all I can really say to encourage you is, keep going! This trajectory we are all on right now, it's an upward path filled with inclusivity, accessibility, passion, fun, and games. I think everyone is on the same page with regards to what they want this community to become, and we are all putting in our part to make it happen. Don't lose sight of that! Pick one another up, build one another up, and let's push onwards towards the top.

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